

THE SENTINEL.

"UNION, VIGILANCE, PERSEVERANCE."

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1841.

CANDIDATES.

Election on Monday, August 2d.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM J. BROWN, Esq., as a candidate to represent Marion County in the next Legislature.

FELLOW CITIZENS: I offer myself as a candidate for the office of Recorder of Marion County at the August election. Should you deem me worthy of your support, and elect me, the duties of the office I shall endeavor to discharge so as to meet your approbation.

JULY, 1841. E. C. BOYD.

We are authorized to announce THOMAS M. WEAVER, Esq., as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of T. M. Weaver.

We are authorized to announce WM. SULLIVAN ELLIS, as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, in Centre township, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of T. M. Weaver, Esq.

PROLOGOMENA.

Well, here we are!

And now we launch the STATE SENTINEL upon the sea of public opinion. That she shall prove a safe and soundly craft is what we confidently anticipate; and while we remain at the helm, a straight and steady course, and a bright lookout, shall always be kept.

Without metaphor: This day we commence the publication of a new democratic paper at this, the seat of government of Indiana, being the only one of that character now published here. The causes which have brought about this state of things need not be considered at this time. Our object now is, to say to the public a few words on other matters.

For a correct understanding of the principles by which we shall be governed, we must refer to our past course; and to those who may not be aware of what that course has been, we would say, *give us a trial*. That we should please all, is what we shall hardly expect; yet no efforts on our part shall be wanting even to accomplish this. That our cause shall be firm and forward, we pledge ourselves.

Yet our political opponents, (and we number many among our personal friends) shall always be treated with urbanity, while against their *principles* we declare *eternal war*.

While the honorable and high-minded will always be respectfully considered, yet we shall not fail, nor let loose, to bestow the lash of censure upon those *scoundrels* belonging who share only by the reflected light of their masters, whenever they shall have the temerity or foolhardiness to obstruct our path.

That we owe much to our friends, is gratefully acknowledged, and that we owe much to our enemies, need not be told. From our first settlement in this State, persecution and violence have been exercised over us. Thank God, we have triumphed over our enemies, while they have the mortification to see us rise in a proportionate degree to their vain attempts to prostrate and crush us. This is punishment enough for them, and we dismiss them, with a blessing.

That we should give, at this time, more than a general outline of the principles by which we shall be governed, is hardly to be expected.

Indeed we labor under many disadvantages, consequent upon removal, &c. and not among the least, is sickness and death in the family of the junior editor. Whilst it is our desire to say much more, we find ourselves limited by circumstances over which we cannot exercise control.

Suffice it then, to say, we shall be governed in the management of the SENTINEL by JEFFERSONIAN DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES, and shall advocate them, temperately, but at the same time *fearlessly and energetically*.

No cause whatever shall lead us to compromise the principles which we advocate, or to do ought which shall derogate from the dignity and independence of the public press.

We only ask a fair trial.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION

Is requested to our terms. In no instance whatever, except with those who have open accounts with us, will credit be given.

We have suffered severely by an unkindly system of credit in newspaper publishing, and so far as we are concerned, are determined to put a stop to it. Does it pay for paper, labor, or buy bread for us, to say, send your paper to Mr. ————— he is as good as wheat? Not at all. Hence our determination. Indeed, if the press generally does not adopt the system of prompt payments, it will not lose its character for dignity and independence, but will bring ruin invariably upon its conductors.

In payment for the SENTINEL we will take most kinds of produce at market price. For advertising we shall be always ready to exchange wares on the most favorable terms.

TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF THE LATE WABASH ENQUIRER.

We forward this number of the Sentinel to the subscribers of the Wabash Enquirer, in the hopes that most, if not all, will consent to continue with us, and that on our new terms. If any who know themselves to be indebted to us, will forward the amount and a year's subscription in advance, we shall think highly of them! Those who have overpaid us on the Enquirer must be paid. To those who have underpaid us on that paper, we will send the Sentinel, notifying them at the expiration, that they may have an opportunity of renewing their subscriptions without breaking the rules.

TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF THE LATE INDIANA DEMOCRAT.

Premising that we have nothing to do with the settlement of the affairs of the Democrat, we send to each of the old subscribers of that paper this first number of the Sentinel, in the full belief that the greater portion will not only subscribe themselves, but exert themselves to obtain a few subscribers for it in their immediate neighborhoods. See the terms.

To Every Body, Greeting.—We should not be greatly disappointed if we have a very large list of subscribers. Therefore, if every person into whose hands this paper may fall, will subscribe himself and get two of his neighbors to do so, a \$5 bill will pay for the three one year. What say you, friends? Remember, that the more patronage, (paying patronage,) the better paper we can make.

EXCHANGES.—We are under obligations to those of our contemporaries who have so kindly and generously continued their exchanges since the suspension of the Wabash Enquirer, and respectfully solicit a continuance. Those who exchanged with the late Indiana Democrat, and who receive this number, will oblige us by directing in future to the "Sentinel."

APOLOGY.—Any one conversant with the confusion and bustle consequent on a removal of some 10 miles, and the little time afforded to strange and digest matter for a newspaper, will readily excuse the lean appearance of our first number.

The second number of the Sentinel will be issued on the 4th of August, and continued regularly thereafter. The arrangement being permanent, persons should be prompt in what they do as to subscribing. The paper is permanently established, and no disappointment as to its regular appearance need be apprehended.

Send in the prefaces, names and money.

THE HONOR AND CREDIT OF THE STATE.

This was a grand hobby for the federal whigs to elect upon last year. From the throat of every whig office-seeker you would hear the cry, "the honor and credit of the State of Indiana must be preserved at all hazards;" leaving it to be inferred, if not directly charged, that the democratic party would sacrifice both, should they have a majority in the Assembly; but studiously avoiding to state who brought her "honor and credit" into danger. This latter course would have been condemnatory of themselves, and well they knew it. The people, the honest people, believed their assertions and inferences. They were elected, and had a large majority in both branches of the Legislature. And what is the consequence? Was any measure of relief passed? Was any thing done to advance the interests of the people, or to sustain the "honor and credit of the State?" We boldly answer no! In what a humiliating posture has the last Legislature left the State! Taxes trebled! The State credit gone! The interest on our bonds not paid! Rogues chasing rogues to save a tithe of the immense sums diverted from our public offices! This is no fiction. Read the following extracts from the money article of the N. Y. Herald:

"Ex-Governor Noble, the Commissioner for Indiana, is still engaged in his arduous duties of arranging the immense suspended debt of that State. He has, we understand, placed under arrest some of those who had transactions with the late Commissioner Stapp, and they were held to bail in \$50,000."

This is the way Stapp sustained the "honor and credit of the State." R and another extract:

"The State of Indiana failed to meet her interest due this day, with the exception of those issued to the bank as capital, which have been paid by the bank. The new fund commissioner, Noah Noble, Esq., has been indefatigable in his exertions to save the house of the State, and has negotiations on foot which he is anxious will yet enable him to redeem the State in a few days."

So it appears that the State of Indiana has failed to all intents and purposes, notwithstanding the whigs were to interest of the State of Indiana failed to meet her interest due this day, with the exception of those issued to the bank as capital, which have been paid by the bank. The new fund commissioner, Noah Noble, Esq., has been indefatigable in his exertions to save the house of the State, and has negotiations on foot which he is anxious will yet enable him to redeem the State in a few days."

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